Docket No: 206645US0

## DEMARK OFFICE IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Takao NOGUCHI, ET AL.

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FOR: MULTILAYER THIN FILM AND ITS FABRICATION PROCESS

AS WELL AS ELECTRON DEVICE

## INTERIM WAIVER of 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(b)(1) FOR PETITION TO ACCEPT BLACK & WHITE PHOTOGRAPHS

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Applicants request that the requirement for a Petition for Acceptance of Photographs be withdrawn. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(b)(1) as revised and published in the Official Gazette of August 4, 1998, petitions and/or petition fees are no longer required in order for the PTO to accept black and white photographs.

Applicants submit herewith THREE (3) sheets of Photographs for FIGS. 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 and THREE (3) sheets of Formal Drawings for FIGS. 1, 7 & 8.

Respectfully submitted,

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